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ring and extending around the periphery of said fixing ring substantially in line with said exterior peripheral surface of said bottom portion.--

--28. The fixing ring in accordance with claim 27 in which said bottom portion includes a snap-fastening structure for engaging a flange on the receptacle neck.--

--29. The fixing ring in accordance with claim 28 in which said snap-fastening structure includes a plurality of snap-fastening tabs.--

--30. The fixing ring in accordance with claim 1 in which said guide wall element is a continuous annular crown.--

## <u>REMARKS</u>

Examination of this application in light of the foregoing amendments and accompanying remarks is respectfully requested.

## THE SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

The specification of this continuation application as filed is identical with the specification of the parent application Serial Nos. 09/099,684 as filed. This continuation

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